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From Saturday February 8. to Tuesday February 11. 1734.

AT the Court at *St. James's*, the 9th Day of *February*, 1734.

PRESENT,

The King's most Excellent Majesty in Council.

His Majesty in Council was this Day pleased to appoint the following Sheriffs, viz.

South-Wales.

Pembroke, John Philipps *of* Ford, *Esq*;

North-Wales.

Anglesea, Richard Lloyd *of* Rhosbeirio, *Esq*;

Berlin, Feb. 12, *N. S.* We hear from Mecklenbourg, that the Troops of Holstein and Schwartzenbourg have taken Possession of Schwerin, and that the Duke has retired to Domitz. His Prussian Majesty is yet in a weak State of Health, though there is scarce a Day but he appears abroad, or dines in publick.

Hague, Feb. 18, *N. S.* The Deputies of Holland set out To-morrow for their respective Homes, and will return next Tuesday and continue their Assembly. The Prince of Orange is expected here next Week from Friesland: Her Royal Highness continues in good Health: The Affair of M. Catwyk, who has lately obtained from his most Serene Highness the Place of Drossard of Breda, having been reported to the States of Holland, the Determination upon it is put off to this Day Seven-night.

The Circuits appointed for the Lent Assizes are as follow, viz.

Northern Circuit.

Lord Chief Justice *Hardwicke*.

Mr. Baron *Thomson*.

City of *York*, Tuesday March 11, at the Guildhall of the said City.

York, the same Day at the Castle of *York*.

Lancaster, Saturday, March 22, at the Castle of *Lancaster*.

Home Circuit.

Lord Chief Justice *Eyre*.

Mr. Justice *Reeve*.

Hertford, Monday March 3, at the Town of *Hertford*.

Essex, Wednesday March 5, at *Chelmsford*.

Kent, Tuesday March 11, at *Rochester*.

Sussex, Monday March 17, at *East Grinsted*.

Surry, Thursday March 20, at *Kingston upon Thames*.

Norfolk Circuit.

Lord Chief Baron *Reynolds*.

Mr. Baron *Carter*.

Bucks, Monday March 3, at *Aylesbury*.

Bedford, Thursday March 6, at *Bedford*.

Huntingdon, Saturday March 8, at *Huntingdon*.

Cambridge, Monday March 10, at the Castle of *Cambridge*.

Norfolk, Thursday March 13, at *Thetford*.

Suffolk, Monday March 17, at *Bury St. Edmunds*.

Midland Circuit.

Mr. Justice *Page*.

Mr. Justice *Denton*.

Northampton, Tuesday March 4, at *Northampton*.

Rutland, Friday March 7, at *Oakham*.

Lincoln, Monday March 10, at the Castle of *Lincoln*.

City of *Lincoln*, the same Day at the City of *Lincoln*.

Nottingham, Friday March 14, at *Nottingham*.

Town of *Nottingham*, Saturday March 15, at the Town of *Nottingham*.

Derby, Tuesday March 18, at *Derby*.

Leicester, Friday March 21, at the Castle of *Leicester*.

Borough of *Leicester*, Saturday March 22, at the Borough of *Leicester*.

City of *Coventry*, Tuesday, March 25, at the City of *Coventry*.

Warwick, the same Day at *Warwick*.

Western Circuit.

Mr. Justice *Probyn*.

Mr. Baron *Comyns*.

Southampton, Wednesday March 5, at the Castle of *Winchester*.

Wilts, Saturday March 8, at *New Sarum*.

Dorset, Thursday March 13, at *Dorchester*.

Somerset, Monday March 17, at the Castle of *Taunton*.

Cornwall, Monday March 24, at *Launceston*.

City of *Exeter*, Friday March 28, at the Guildhall of the City of *Exeter*.

Devon, The same Day at the Castle of *Exeter*.

Oxford Circuit.

Mr. Justice *Fortescue Aland*.

Mr. Justice *Lee*.

Berks, Monday March 3, at *Reading*.

Oxford, Wednesday March 5, at *Oxford*.

Gloucester, Saturday March 8, at *Gloucester*.

City of *Gloucester*, the same Day at the City of *Gloucester*.

Monmouth, Thursday March 13, at *Monmouth*.

Hereford, Saturday March 15, at *Hereford*.

Salop, Thursday March 20, at *Shrewsbury*.

Stafford, Tuesday March 25, at *Stafford*.

Worcester, Saturday March 29, at *Worcester*.

City of *Worcester*, the same Day at the City of *Worcester*.

Whitehall, February 11, 1734-5.

Whereas it has been represented to His Majesty, that on Tuesday the 4th Day of February Instant, Five Horsemen, armed each with a Case of Pistols, came about Seven a-Clock in the Evening, to the House of Joseph Lawrence the Elder, being part of a Farm called Earlesbury Farm, near Edgware, in the County of Middlesex, and went into the Sheep House, where a Servant was, whose Hands they tied behind him, and by threatning to shoot him, and clapping Pistols to his Body, compelled him to go with them to his Master's the said Joseph Lawrence's House, in order to get the Door opened; which was accordingly done, and they all then entered the House with Pistols in their Hands, in which was the said Joseph Lawrence, who is an Ancient Man upwards of Seventy Years of Age, a Servant Man, and Maid; that they bound the said Man and Maid, and forced the Master up Stairs to shew them where his Money was, and broke open all the Doors, Chests and Places, and thoroughly searched every Part of the House, and not finding the Money they expected, upon their coming down Stairs most inhumanly and barbarously abused the said Joseph Lawrence, by beating him with a Stick till they Broke it to pieces, letting down his Breeches and whipping him in a violent Manner; that they likewise laid a Faggot on the Fire and laid him down by it, and threatned to burn him, then took a Knife and drew it under his Throat, and declared they would cut his Throat, and afterwards dragged him by the Hair of his Head about the Kitchen, then took a Kettle of Water from off the Fire, and threw the Water upon him: That they took from the House of the said Lawrence, about Twenty Five Pounds in Money, one Silver Cup, several Silver Spoons, and all the Linnen in the House, and that one of them ravished the Maid Servant; they continued in the House about an Hour and an Half, bound all the Family, lock'd the Door, and carried away the Key, having first declared they would go to the next House, being other Part of the said Farm, and serve that Family in like Manner, but that